



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Stuyver, Lieven *et al.*

Serial No. 10/008,140

Filed: October 18, 2001

For: Simultaneous Quantification of Nucleic Acids in Diseased Cells

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY

Sir:

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**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**In re Application of: Lieven Stuyver and Michael J. Otto

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am a original, first and sole inventor (OR a original, first and joint inventor) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **Simultaneous Quantification of Nucleic Acids in Diseased Cells** the specification of which was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 18, 2001, as U.S. Patent Application No. 10/008,140.

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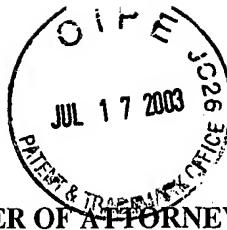
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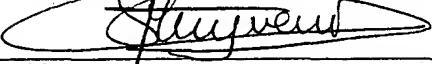
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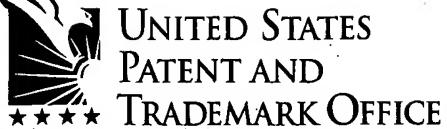
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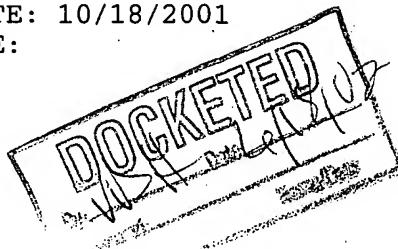
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, LIEVEN STUYVER, and MICHAEL J. OTTO have invented certain improvements in "Simultaneous Quantification of Nucleic Acids in Diseased Cells" for which we have executed United States non-provisional application on October 18, 2001; and

WHEREAS, PHARMASSET LTD. a Barbados corporation having an office at 1860 Montreal Rd. Tucker GA. 30084, desires to purchase same;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid by PHARMASSET LTD., the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I, LIEVEN STUYVER, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto PHARMASSET LTD., in and for the United States and its territories and for foreign countries, the entire right, title and interest in and to said provisional application and said application for United States Letters Patent, in and to the invention therein set forth and in and to any patent which may issue on said application for United States Letters Patent or any application, reissue, renewal, division, continuation or continuation-in-part thereof; or any foreign counterpart thereof or any other application that claims priority to the above-application, and I hereby bind myself, my heirs, legal representatives, administrators and assigns properly to execute without further consideration, any and all applications, petitions, oaths and assignments or other papers and instruments which may be necessary in order to carry into full force and effect the sale, assignment, transfer and conveyance hereby made or intended to be made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 1 day of
November, 2001.


LIEVEN STUYVER

STATE OF GEORGIA)

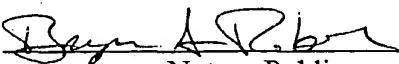
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COUNTY OF Cobb)

On this 1st day of November, 2001, before me, a notary public, came
Lieven Stuyver, to me known and known to be the individual described in and
who executed the foregoing assignment, and he duly acknowledged the same to be his free act
and deed.

(SEAL)




Notary Public

My commission expires: Jan. 26, 04

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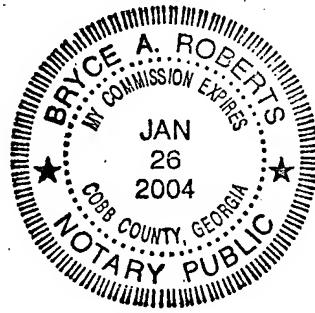
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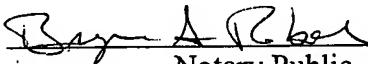

MICHAEL J. OTTO

STATE OF GEORGIA)
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On this 5th day of November, 2001, before me, a notary public, came
Michael J. Otto, to me known and known to be the individual described in and
who executed the foregoing assignment, and he duly acknowledged the same to be his free act
and deed.

(SEAL)




Notary Public

My commission expires: 01/26/04

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